

MINUTES OF SHELTER CLUSTER COORDINATION MEETING 13th OCTOBER

NEXT MEETING

16h00 Saturday, October 17th, UNICEF tent

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Shelter Cluster google group

<http://groups.google.com/group/sum09>

Google group contents include:

- Contacts list
- Meeting notes
- Strategic documents
- Technical documents
- Reporting templates
- Links

ACTION ITEMS

1. SAG organising plastic sheeting test
2. Shelter Cluster coordination team to post plastic sheeting fixing guidelines on google group
3. SAG gathering data on host families
4. Gol to provide information on cash grant plans and a letter to beneficiaries to reassure them that they will not lose out on future assistance as a result.
5. Bamboo TWIG continuing some research on prices, availability and usage
6. Shelter Cluster coordination team organising workshop on temporary shelter at Padang University – 16 October
7. Rick Bauer, Oxfam coordinating brick market analysis research starts – 16-19 October
8. Shelter Cluster coordination team to post summary table / analysis on emergency shelter coverage at district level

1. Introduction and review of previous minutes

- A welcome and introduction of new participants was made.
- No changes to the agenda were proposed.
- A review of the previous minutes and action points was conducted. These were accepted as a true reflection of the last meeting.
- Attendees of this meeting are listed on the Shelter Cluster google group updated contact file.

2. Strategic Advisory Group update

- The SAG met following the previous full coordination meeting.
- Issues discussed included plastic sheeting.
 1. It was agreed plastic sheeting being distributed will be tested (to estimate its lifespan).
 2. Plastic sheeting fixing guidelines will be posted on the Shelter Cluster google group.
- The SAG also agreed to attempt to gather data on self recovery and host families.

3. Government of Indonesia update

- The GoI has agreed to provide a clear explanation of its cash grant plans and system during the rehabilitation and reconstruction phase. The intention is to bypass middle administrative levels, so that cash grants reach households more directly.
- The GoI has also agreed to provide a letter to reassure beneficiaries that they will still receive Government financial assistance if and when announced.
- Any issues with IDPs should be reported directly to the Bupati (local government structures). This includes advocacy for identifying new land on which the IDPs can settle.
- At present, 30 October will be the end of the emergency period according to the Government however there is a possibility that this can be shortened.

4. Technical Working Group update

- Henk Meijerink, Cordaid, fed back on a TWIG meeting on bamboo, which was held on 11th October. Notes on this meeting are posted on the Shelter Cluster google group. Research is ongoing, but it is clear that bamboo is not widely available nor widely used as a building material (but rather for various other purposes) in West Sumatra. It is suggested that limited use (for building structures etc.) be considered in areas where bamboo is available. Current prices are between IDR10,000 and IDR15,000 a piece.
- There will be a workshop on temporary shelter on Friday 16th October at Padang University. GoI will attend in the morning (9h00 to 11h45). Further details will be posted on the Shelter Cluster google group before Friday.
- The Shelter Cluster coordination team has had contact with various local NGOs to discuss community outreach activities. An outreach team from UN Habitat will be arriving this week.
- Rick Bauer, Oxfam, outlined plans and human resource needs for the brick market analysis research. In summary, this will look at both prices of and demand for bricks before and after the earthquake. It will then analyse the impact on producers (larger manufacturers and artisanal brick-makers), distributors and those affected (and using bricks to rebuild). The research will take four days from Friday 16th to Monday 19th: day 1 training researchers; day 2 and 3 field research; day 4 feedback. The output will be a map that shows gaps and considerations for potential brick use. This output and the research tool could be reused when considering bamboo and other materials. Various agencies (Oxfam, Relief International, Care, Save the Children, CHF, Mercy Corps, CRS, Habitat for Humanity and IoM) have offered to support this research. Main requirements are four teams of four people (at least two fluent in English and Bahasa) and logistics.

5. Information Management update

- Craig Williams, OCHA, updated the meeting on issues relating to location data. There has been some confusion below sub-district level as official government lists (names and pcodes) do not correspond with actual village names (and longer, older lists).
- Clare Sayce, Shelter Cluster Information Manager, updated the meeting on information needs and analysis to date. The Shelter Cluster coordination team

urgently needs clear information from all implementing agencies on where they are working and what they are distributing. With this, much more useful analysis can be done and shared. At the very least, this information should include: district name/s; sub-district name/s; distribution items; dates; households reached to date; and (overall) households targeted. Please also provide villages names if possible (and the Shelter Cluster IMs will do any necessary matching). Please also use the reporting format (available on the google group) if possible or just send summary information to the IMs if not.

- An analysis on emergency shelter coverage at district level only has been put together and was shared at the meeting. This is based on GoI data (2008 population figures and 11th October 2009 BNPB damage data) and on only that information so far received from implementing agencies. The summary table will be posted the Shelter Cluster google group, with references and explanations.
- Kogami, a local NGO has set up a hotline for people to call reporting damage and assistance in the affected regions. The data received by the hotline is recorded and volunteers are sent to verify the data before it is posted to their website. Agencies can use this information to inform their programmes and the link to the website is kogami.org.id

6. AOB

- IOM still have 60 trucks available for agencies to use for free transportation of materials. It can also help with access to harder-to-reach places.
- Muslim Aid issued an apology for comments made during its presentation at the previous Shelter Cluster coordination meeting (10th October). This was an unreserved apology for any offence taken during comments made in relation to Minang society and culture.

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